## NORTHEAST SHELLFISH SANITATION ASSOCIATION

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Dear NESSA Members and Participants:

The Northeast Shellfish Sanitation Association (NESSA) 2003 conference will be held in Danvers and Gloucester Massachusetts, May 7 to 9. The meeting consists of two half-day sessions and one full day. The meeting starts at 1:00 PM on Wednesday May 7 at the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (*MarineFisheries*) Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station (ARMFS) in Gloucester, Massachusetts. Resumes at 8:00 AM on Thursday May 8, at the Kings Grant Inn in Danvers. Then return to the ARMFS Friday May 9, concluding by noon. Transportation between Kings Grant and ARMFS will be available if needed.

Rates at the <u>Kings Grant Inn</u> are \$89/night + tax. When you call to make reservations (978-774-6800), be sure to mention that you are attending the NESSA meeting to get this rate. The hotel will guaranteed this rate until April 23 and has reserved a limited number of rooms at this price.

## Directions:

The Kings Grant Inn is <u>located</u> directly off Route 128 North, Exit 21, in Danvers, Massachusetts. Please note: I-95N/128N share the same road for the loop around Boston. When the roads divide in Peabody Massachusetts, stay on Rte 128 North. At this point, the exit numbers jump from #45 to #28.

The Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station is located at 30 Emerson Avenue in Gloucester. From Kings Grant take Route 128 north to the first rotary, Grant Circle (actually part of Route 128). Take your first right off rotary onto Washington Street. Take 5th right onto Centennial Avenue, go over the railroad bridge and take second right onto Emerson Avenue. ARMFS is the last building on the left.

Registration for the 2003 meeting is \$50.00 per person and includes lunch on Thursday. I have attached an agenda and registration form. Please return completed form and check by Monday April 21. These documents are posted on the Massachusetts *MarineFisheries* website.

I look forward to seeing you in May.

Sincerely,

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